

House Resolution No. 2228

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State governmental employees who have demonstrated unquestionable courage and astute decision-making abilities when faced with unexpected challenges and situations in life; and

Whereas, Walter Foster of Waynesville, Missouri, is a Corrections Supervisor I at the South Central Correctional Center; and

Whereas, universally praised as the Employee of the Year at South Central Correctional Center, CS I Walter Foster has earned distinction for his activities while on duty on December 27, 2001; and

Whereas, after responding to the Code 16 emergency of an inmate who was attempting to commit suicide by hanging, CS I Walter Foster began administering CPR, a process he continued until the arrival of medical personnel to the site; and

Whereas, although the offender did not recover from his medical emergency, the calm, timely, and skillful intervention by CS I Walter Foster in a dangerous situation demonstrated levels of dedication and professionalism which stand as appropriate standards for his colleagues to emulate; and

Whereas, CS I Walter Foster will be recognized by the Missouri Department of Corrections on Thursday, May 29, 2003, at the South Central Correctional Center when it grants him a Lifesaver Award for going far beyond his regular duties at great personal risk to help prevent a life-threatening situation; and

Whereas, the beloved husband of Susan and the loving father of Jason and Deanna, CS I Walter Foster also deserves note of his many other successes in life which include two earlier Department of Corrections Dudley Awards and nomination for Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Rotary Club:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute CS I Walter Foster and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest commendation of his unselfish actions during December 2001, when he strived to save a human life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Corrections Supervisor I Walter Foster of Waynesville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Ransdall
District No. 148

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2228, adopted April 28, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker